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## **NOTICE OF FUNDS AVAILABILITY**

### **Office of Workforce Development Adult Training Program**

The District of Columbia Department of Employment Services (DOES) is seeking grant applications to meet the workforce development needs of District residents by implementing a variety of occupational programs and/or postsecondary education classes. The goal of this grant program is to accelerate the ability of District residents to earn nationally recognized credentials and college credits. This grant will provide: (1) credit-bearing, high-demand occupational training, (2) nationally recognized credentials, and (3) academic courses which may lead to a degree.

**Eligibility:** Local educational agencies, training providers, universities, and colleges are eligible to apply. The applications will be ranked based on the applicant's capacity and ability to demonstrate: 1) a record of success in implementing a variety of high-demand occupational training and academic courses; 2) a record of participants successfully completing a variety of high-demand occupational training and academic courses; and 3) a record of working collaboratively with and/or partnering with at least two (2) of the following: a) employers, b) education and training community, and c) non-profit organizations.

**Length of Awards:** The grant period will be for twelve (12) months from the date of execution of a Grant Agreement with the District. At the discretion of DOES, a maximum of four (4) one-year option periods may be granted based on performance and the availability of funding. Option periods may consist of a year, a fraction thereof, or multiple successive fractions of a year.

**Available Funding for Awards:** The amount available for this award is approximately \$4,000,000.

**Anticipated Number of Awards:** DOES anticipates making up to ten (10) awards depending on funding availability and responsiveness of applicants. The Request for Applications (RFA) will be released on **Friday, November 22, 2013**, and the **deadline for submission is Monday, January 6, 2013 at 2:00 PM EST**. This RFA will be available on the DOES website at: <http://does.dc.gov/page/does-grants>, and it will also be posted on the District's Grant Clearinghouse website at: <http://opgs.dc.gov/page/opgs-district-grants-clearinghouse>.

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